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facing upper edges destined to be brought into reciprocal contact in order to assume the non-flat predetermined conformation;

fixing of a thin and flexible support element to the bottom surface of a tile; a nearing of the two parts of tile by bending a portion of the thin and flexible support element supporting the two parts of tile, so that reciprocally-facing upper edges of the two parts of tile are brought into contact with one another in order to give the tile the predetermined non-flat conformation.

7). The process of claim 5, characterised in that the transversal recesses are obtained by cutting.